111TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 3707

To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude combat zone compensation of members of the Armed Forces from employment taxes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 1, 2009

Mr. Garrett of New Jersey introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Armed Forces Tax
- 5 Relief Act of 2009".
- 6 SEC. 2. EXCLUSION OF COMBAT ZONE COMPENSATION OF
- 7 MEMBERS OF THE ARMED FORCES FROM EM-
- 8 PLOYMENT TAXES.
- 9 (a) In General.—Paragraph (2) of section 3121(i)
- 10 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (relating to service

- 1 in the uniformed services) is amended by adding at the
- 2 end the following new sentence: "The term 'wages' shall
- 3 not include remuneration for active service performed in
- 4 a month for which such individual is entitled to the bene-
- 5 fits of section 112 (relating to certain combat zone com-
- 6 pensation of members of the Armed Forces of the United
- 7 States) to the extent remuneration for such service is ex-
- 8 cludable from gross income under such section.".
- 9 (b) Social Security Trust Funds Held Harm-
- 10 LESS.—There is hereby appropriated (out of any money
- 11 in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated) for each fiscal
- 12 year to each fund under the Social Security Act an amount
- 13 equal to the reduction in the transfers to such fund for
- 14 such fiscal year by reason of the amendment made by sub-
- 15 section (a).
- 16 (c) Effective Date.—The amendment made by
- 17 this section shall apply with respect to service performed
- 18 after December 31, 2008.

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